

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re U.S. National Stage Application of PCT/JP00/06092

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FOR: PROCESS FOR PRODUCING OPTICALLY ACTIVE AMINO-ALCOHOL

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March 6, 2002

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENTHon. Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Before beginning examination, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, just after the title, please insert the following paragraph:

--This is a National Stage application of International Application No. PCT/JP00/06092, which was filed on September 7, 2000, which designated the U.S., and was filed in the English language.--

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 5-43 and add new claims 44-82.

44. (New) The process according to claim 1 wherein the racemic 4-amino-2-methylbutane-1-ol is mixed with the optically active organic acid by use of a solvent, and mother liquor is removed at the time of the solid-liquid separation.